

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Applicants	:	Barrick et al.	
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RCE and AMENDMENT

Sir:

This amendment and RCE is in response to the "Office Action" having a mailing date of June 29, 2006 having a shortened statutory period for response that expires on September 29, 2006. A one month extension of time up to and including October 29, 2006 is included with this response. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this paper.